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supported by those quench tubes, and the lower platen also having drive wheels supported on the deformable drive shafts thereof at spaced locations to engage and move the glass sheet to be bent; the upper platen having idler shafts mounted on the elongated quench tubes thereof and also having idler wheels mounted by the idler shafts at spaced locations to engage the glass sheet to be bent; actuating means for causing deformation of the lower platen with the upper platen being conformably deformable to the shape of the lower platen as the lower platen is bent about a direction parallel to the elongated direction of the quench tubes from a flat shape to a bent shape with the glass sheet disposed between the platens as the quench openings of the elongated quench tubes and the wheels are moved with the platens as the wheels engage and bend the glass sheet; means to supply quenching gas to the quench openings of both platens after bending has finished to thereby temper the bent glass sheet between the platens; and drive means for reversibly driving the drive wheels to move the glass sheets during the bending and tempering of the glass sheet.

REMARKS

The pending claims are 1-16, which are identical to those claims originally allowed in the patent (except for minor amendments made to clarify the invention), independent claim 27, and independent claim 30. Each of claims 17-26, and 28-29, added by amendments during the pendency of the parent reissue applications to this case, have been canceled.

By this Amendment, the specification and claim 30, have been amended to clarify that which applicants' regard as the invention in response to rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Applicants propose amending two paragraphs of the specification (at column 3, lines 28-40; and at column 5, lines 23-38) to clarify the description and provide verbatim correspondence between the specification and each of claims 27 and 30.